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8:30-9:00 am	Opening Reception Welcome by Dr. Bev Kopper, Associate Provost	Auditorium Lounge 2 nd Floor Lang Hall
9:00-9:25 am	Erin Conrad - <i>Risk Classification and Ratemaking in Insurance</i> Dr. Syed Kirmani, Mathematics	Lang 208
	Abigail Bristow - <i>Depictions of Male – Male Sexual Activities in Ancient Greece as Expressed Through Visual Imagery: Aspects of Roles</i> Dr. Charles Adelman, Art	Lang 211
	Esperanza Pintor Martinez - <i>A Sample: The Dental Health of Latino Children Under the Age of Five in Des Moines, IA</i> Dr. Mark Grey, Sociology, Anthropology & Criminology	Lang 222
9:35-10:00 am	Sara Van Hemert - <i>The Case of Journalistic Bias</i> Dr. Christian Ogbondah, Communication Studies	Lang 208
	Zenab Chowdhry - <i>Militarization vs. Democratization: A Case Study of Pakistan and India's Divergent Political Paths since Independence</i> Dr. Dharendra Vajpeyi, Political Science	Lang 211
	*Jenna Cherry - <i>Formulation of an Ultra-Violet Curable, Soy-based, Organic Pigment Screen Printing Ink</i> Dr. Jeffrey Elbert, Chemistry & Biochemistry	Lang 222
10:10-10:35 am	Matthew Rittgers - <i>Religious Pluralism: The Evangelical Christian Response</i> Dr. Jerome Soneson, Philosophy & Religion	Lang 208
	*Darcy Lane - <i>School Finance Reform in Iowa: Where to Turn for Improvements in Equity?</i> Dr. C. Scott Peters, Political Science	Lang 211
	Linsey Lain - <i>Convergence of IFRS and U.S. GAAP: Implications for the Public Accounting Profession</i> Dr. Mark Bauman, Accounting	Lang 222
	*Sarah McConnell - <i>Analysis of Echoic Properties in Vocalizations of a Preverbal Child on the Autistic Spectrum</i> Dr. Theresa Kouri, Communication Sciences & Disorders	Lang 223
10:45-11:10 am	*Mark Turnage - <i>Carpe Noctum</i> Dr. Grant Tracey, English Language & Literature	Lang 208
	Sarah Brandt - <i>The Myth and Reality of Prom: A Qualitative Examination of the American High School Prom Experience</i> Dr. Marybeth Stalp, Sociology, Anthropology & Criminology	Lang 211
	Stacy McMullen - <i>Who Should Own the Air?: A Closer Look at Smoking Bans</i> Dr. Ken McCormick, Economics	Lang 222
	Vinay Bajaj - <i>The Effect of EGCG on the Structure and Dynamics of Podosomes in Human Macrophages</i> Dr. Barton Bergquist, Biology	Lang 223

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11:20-11:45 am	*Emily Eisenman - <i>Directing “Dead White Males: A Year in the Trenches of Teaching”</i> Dr. Paul Siddens, Communication Studies	Lang 208
	Emily Cormaney - <i>Microfinance Institutions (MFIs) and Subsidies: What Role Should Subsidies Play for MFIs?</i> Dr. Ken McCormick, Economics	Lang 211
	Amy Meyers - <i>The Iowa Caucuses: Effects of Presidential Campaigns on State Politicians</i> Dr. Donna Hoffman, Political Science	Lang 222
	*Rachel Price - <i>The Leap from Playing to Performing: Representing the Composer and Performer in Classical Music Performance</i> Dr. Thomas Barry, School of Music	Lang 223
11:55-12:20 pm	Shannon Horn - <i>A New Design for the Hudson Community School District’s Website</i> Dr. Carl Blue, Industrial Technology	Lang 208
	*Justin Bohnet - <i>The Effects of Nanoscale Disorder on the Paramagnetic to Ferromagnetic Transition in Melt-Spun Gadolinium-Iron Alloys</i> Dr. Paul Shand, Physics	Lang 211
	*Michael Busch - <i>Adam Smith and Materialism’s Role in Happiness: Consumption in Modern Society Reexamined</i> Dr. Ken McCormick, Economics	Lang 222
	*Fedor Korsakov - <i>Application of BLAST-based Techniques for Musical Information Retrieval</i> Dr. Kevin O’Kane, Computer Science	Lang 223
12:30-12:55 pm	Jessica Young - <i>Birthrate and Population Density as Predictors of Quality of Life</i> Dr. Michael Gasser, Psychology	Lang 208
	*Grant Rozeboom - <i>Civil Society and the Restoration of Freedom: The Crucial Role of “Social” Politics in Hannah Arendt’s Political Thought</i> Dr. William W. Clohesy, Philosophy & Religion	Lang 211
	*Neal Molitor - <i>Biracial Filipino Americans in Society</i> Dr. Vince Gotera, English Language & Literature	Lang 222

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